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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

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Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJIKT:

CLA Reconneissance Programs in 1766

- 1. The attached letter from McMillan defines the FY66 budget for the CIA portion of the Mational Reconnaissance Program. It indicates rather clearly that DOD sees CIA only in the U-7 and OXCART role. We presume this is the budget which McMillan proposes to describe to Congress through our cleared committees. In any case, it is now binding on DD/35T. This letter gives us three alternatives:
 - n. Accept CIA exclusion from the satellite portion of the HEP.
 - b. Back McMillan down, which has proven difficult in the pest.
 - c. Scrap the MRO arrangement and either divide the present funds available or go to Congress for additional funds.
- 2. We are not urging any particular course of action at this time, but do call attention to the fact that the budget will be locked up in the next month in Congress and our opportunity to go directly to them effectively closed of?.

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NRO review(s) completed.

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